

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: SEPTEMBER 5, 2007

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:
RECOGNITION OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at meeting – Copy of Proclamations declaring September 2007 as Hispanic Heritage Month

Minutes:

No motion required. A presentation was made.

In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, COUNCILMAN BARLOW recognized two local Brazilian groups: the Dom Pedro Segundo Foundation of Las Vegas for promoting Brazilian culture and for its contributing members in many important sectors and the Club Social Brasileiro of Las Vegas for its efforts to showcase music, dance and culture. He welcomed the two dancers, ROSANGELA COSTA and CHRISTIANE RIPARI, who performed in the City Hall Plaza. He mentioned the many Latin countries that celebrate their independence from September to October and then declared September 15-October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month. He noted that Brazilian Independence Day is September 7.

SONIA RIVELLI, representing Dom Pedro Segundo Foundation, and MARIO GUARDADO, representing Club Social Brasileiro, came forward and accepted their respective proclamations. They both thanked the Council for this honor, as well as the Hispanic community for its support. MS. RIVELLI asked the Council to invite the king of Brazil to this wonderful community to honor him, because the royal family of Brazil abolished slavery 20 years after Abraham Lincoln. MR. GUARDADO requested that the Council support having a Brazilian carnival at the Fremont Street Experience next year. It would add one more venue for the Entertainment Capital of the World.